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Title: Methods, Function Data,  
and Systems to Represent a  
Storage Environment

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136  
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a one month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 within which to respond to the Official Action mailed August 19, 2005, such extension allowing the undersigned until December 19, 2005 to respond.

A Fee Authorization is enclosed to cover this extension fee. However, if the Fee Authorization is missing or insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5760-16700.

Respectfully submitted,

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